

MESSAGES FROM THE
GOVERNOR

The Chair laid before the House and had read, the following messages from the Governor:

July 2, 1941.

To the Members of the House of Representatives of the Forty-seventh Legislature:

I am returning herewith without my approval House Bill No. 1084. I am vetoing this bill because I believe it is very unwholesome to set up a large borrowing and spending department of this State and provide for it being so far removed from the rule of the people. The Board of Directors of this Lower Neches River Authority are not to be elected by the people, neither are they to be appointed by an elected official. On the contrary, they are to be appointed by a Board, the members of which have not been elected by the people. This is getting a State agency so far removed from the vote of the people that it can hardly be classified as democratic government.

I am wholly in accord with the idea of the Lower Neches River Authority, but its membership should by all means be elected by the people or appointed by some elected official and confirmed by two-thirds of the Members of the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

W. LEE O'DANIEL,
Governor of Texas.

July 2, 1941.